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Ms. Josephine Acevedo Esquilin
Puerto Rico Environmental Quality Board
Land Pollution Branch
Cruz A. Matos Environmental Agencies Building
1375 Ponce de Leon Ave.
San Juan, Puerto Rico 00926-2604

Re: Request to Cancel Scheduled Groundwater Monitoring Event
July 2017 (Q3) through December 2017 (Q4)
HP Inc. Voluntary Remediation Project
San German, Puerto Rico

Dear Ms. Esquilin:

GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc., on behalf of HP Inc. (formerly Hewlett-Packard Company), is requesting that the planned 2017 Q3-Q4 groundwater monitoring event be cancelled. GZA believes the destruction caused by Hurricane Maria constitutes a "Force Majeure" event. It is our opinion that diverting resources to assist with a non-essential sampling event while Puerto Rico is still recovering from this unfortunate natural disaster would be inappropriate. Additionally, it is unclear if conducting the sampling event is even feasible given the limits on travel, lack of electricity, and the scarcity of ice.

GZA plans to arrange for our subcontractor, On-Site Environmental, Inc. (On-Site) of Dorado, Puerto Rico, to visit the Site. Per your October 17, 2017 email, On-Site will assess the status of the RCRA corrective action (i.e., the conditions of the wells, decommissioned groundwater containment and treatment system, and the storage shed). Based on that visit, we will communicate to Puerto Rico Environmental Quality Board (PREQB) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) On-Site's observations and make arrangements to conduct necessary repairs. A 2017 Q3-Q4 status report will be submitted in early 2018 which will also summarize the Site assessment and repair work and our next groundwater monitoring event will be in Spring 2018. GZA seeks the PREQB's and EPA's concurrence with these proposed actions.

Our best wishes to you and your organization during your recovery process and please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned or Mr. Jeff Miller (HP Inc.) at 970-898-8803 or jeffrey.s.miller@hp.com, if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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